

**COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC & HUMAN
DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

ACTION MINUTES

Thursday, May 1, 2003

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Los Angeles, CA 90017**

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC, AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. AUDIO CASSETTE TAPES OF THE ACTUAL MEETING ARE AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN SCAG's OFFICE.

The Community, Economic & Human Development Committee held its meeting at the SCAG offices in downtown Los Angeles, California. There was a quorum.

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Councilmember John McTaggart, the senior committee member present, called the meeting to order at 9:14 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor William Alexander, **Chair**
Councilmember Gary Bosworth
Councilmember Paul Bowlen
Councilmember Edward Burgnon
Mayor Pro Tem Mike Dispenza
Councilmember Bart Doyle
Councilmember Alta E. Duke, **Vice-chair**
Councilmember Susan Longville
Councilmember Keith McCarthy
Mayor Kathryn McCullough
Councilmember Ed Reyes
Councilmember Laura Richardson-Batts
Mayor John McTaggart
Mayor Charles White
Councilmember Bob Yousefian

SANBAG Subregion
CVAG Subregion
City of Cerritos
SANBAG Subregion
City of Palmdale
City of Sierra Madre
City of La Palma
SANBAG Subregion
City of Downey
OCCOG Subregion
City of Los Angeles
City of Long Beach
South Bay Cities COG
WRCOG Subregion
City of Glendale

SCAG OFFICERS PRESENT

Hal Bernson, President SCAG
Hank Kuiper

City of Los Angeles
County of Imperial

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Councilmember Melanie Andrews
Mayor Ken Blackwood
Supervisor Robert Buster
Councilmember Jeff Comerchero
Mayor Cristina Cruz Madrid
Councilmember Betty DeSantis
Councilmember Josie Gonzales
Councilmember Wendy Greuel
Councilmember Manuel Guillen
Councilmember Janice Hahn
Mayor Ronald Loveridge
Councilmember Efren J. Moreno, Jr.
Councilmember Alex Padilla
Mayor Bev Perry
Councilmember Jan Perry
Councilmember Bedford Pinkard
Councilmember Marsha Ramos
Councilmember Deborah Robertson
Councilmember M. Jo Shields
Mayor Pro Tem Van T. Tran

City of Compton
City of Lomita
County of Riverside
WRCOG Subregion
SGVCOG Subregion
Las Virgenes Malibu Conejo COG
SANBAG Subregion
City of Los Angeles
Gateway Cities COG
City of Los Angeles
City of Riverside
San Gabriel Valley COG
City of Los Angeles
City of Brea
City of Los Angeles
City of Oxnard
Arroyo Verdugo Subregion
SANBAG Subregion
City of Brawley
OCCOG Subregion

2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Mr. Miles Mitchell, Representative for the City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation, gave his comments on the Selection of Recommended Technical Projection and expressed support for Trend/Local Projection A. Ms. Catherine McMillan of Coachella Valley Association of Governments assisted Mr. Mitchell in distributing copies of 1) Steve Levy's December 6, 2002 memo to SCAG Staff and FTTF; 2) First three pages of the June 2, 2002, FTTF/Subregional Coordinators Meeting Minutes.

Mr. Michael Murphy, Intergovernmental Relations Officer for the City of Santa Clarita, gave his comments on the Selection of Recommended Technical Projection and expressed his support for the Technically Balanced Growth Projection and the Trend/Local Input Projection A.

Ms. Laurie Lile, Representative of North Los Angeles County Subregion, expressed her support for either the Technically Balanced Growth Projection or the Trend/Local Input Projection A.

Mr. Carl Morehouse of City of Ventura and Ventura Council of Governments commented on the Selection of Recommended Technical Projection.

Mr. Richard Dixon, of Orange County Council of Governments, expressed his support on moving all five growth projections to Phase II evaluation. Mr. Dixon also emphasized to the Committee the importance of recommendations 2, 3, and 5 of the Executive Director's amended growth projection recommendations.

The Chair thanked Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Murphy, Ms. Lile, Mr. Morehouse, and Mr. Dixon for their comments.

3.0 CONSENT CALENDAR

The following consent calendar items were MOVED (McTaggart), SECONDED (McCullough) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

3.1 Approval Items

3.1.1 Minutes of April 3, 2003

3.2 Receive and File

3.2.1 2003/2004 Legislative Summaries

3.2.2 Intergovernmental Review Year 2002 Activity Report

4.0 ACTION ITEMS

4.1 Selection of Recommended Technical Growth Projection

Mr. Mark Pisano, Executive Director of SCAG, began his presentation by giving the Committee an overview of the growth forecast process and schedule. Among the other topics Mr. Pisano discussed were the regional and county technical evaluation criteria, the growth projection regional totals, and the principles of growth projections. Mr. Pisano emphasized that the regional total of the trend projection is technically credible and defensible, and was the result of extensive analysis and review.

Mr. Pisano referred the Committee to the attachment and urged the Committee to take a look at the differences in population, households, and employment of the Trend/Local Input Projection A, Trend/Technically Balanced Growth Projection (TBGP), Trend/TBGP (Modified), PILUT Scenario 1 (Urban Infill), and PILUT Scenario 2 (Fifth Ring). Mr. Pisano explained his amended growth projection recommendations in detail and emphasized as well as explained the technical credibility of the growth projections at the regional level.

In conclusion, Mr. Pisano requested the Committee to consider his amended growth projection recommendations and to move all five growth projections to Phase II evaluation.

Mr. Pisano's amended growth projection recommendations were:

1. Maintain Trend Projection regional totals.
2. Move forward all five projections to Phase II evaluation (May – September 2003).
3. Continue consultation with subregions on policy options and bring back any issues (On-going).
4. Meet with Department of Finance on state projections (through summer 2003).
5. Bring draft plan to both CEHD and TCC for action (September 2003).

An extensive dialogue ensued among the Committee members on moving forward with the Executive Director's amended growth projection recommendations. Several changes were suggested by the Committee members.

ACTION: It was MOVED (McTaggart) and SECONDED (McCarthy) AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED to adopt the amended growth projection recommendations made by the Executive Director, and incorporating Committee members' comments, as follows:

1. Maintain Trend Projection regional totals.
2. Move forward on all five growth projections including Trend/Local Input Projection (A), Trend/Technically Balanced Growth Projection (TBGP), Trend/TBGP (Modified), PILUT Scenario 1, and PILUT Scenario 2 to Phase II evaluation.
3. Continue consultation with subregions on policy options for the purposes of consistency and bring back any technical issues to the Forecasting Technical Task Force (FTTF) and Community, Economic and Human Development (CEHD) Committee.
4. Meet with DOF on State projections through summer of 2003.
5. Bring draft RTP to both CEHD and TCC for action in September 2003.
6. Continue to bring lessons learned at COMPASS workshops to CEHD.
7. Hold a future TCC / CEHD joint special meetings.

4.2 AB 980 (Salinas) Housing Element: Self-Certification

Mr. Alfredo Gonzalez, Senior Government Affairs Officer at SCAG, discussed Assembly Bill 980 (Salinas) Housing Element: Self-Certification that permits local municipalities to self certify the revision of their general plan housing element.

ACTION: It was MOVED (McTaggart) and SECONDED (White) AND UNANIMOUSLY AGREED to support AB 980 (Salinas) Housing Element: Self-Certification.

5.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

5.1 AB 1221 (Steinberg/Campbell) California Balanced Communities Act of 2003

Mr. Alfredo Gonzalez, Senior Government Affairs Officer at SCAG, informed the Committee about Assembly Bill 1221 co-authored by Assembly members Darrell Steinberg (D- Sacramento) and John Campbell (R-Irvine). AB 1221 attempts to balance the system of local government finance by eliminating the disincentives currently associated with the building of homes.

A brief discussion followed wherein the Committee asked staff to bring this item back to the CEHD Committee and the Regional Council at the next meeting in June.

5.2 Compass RTP Scenario Development and Analysis

Mr. Mark Butala, Senior Regional Planner at SCAG reminded the CEHD Committee that this is a follow-up from the Committee's request in April to review the work to date on the Compass RTP/EIR growth scenarios. The growth scenarios being developed are to help set the parameters for the growth policy discussion related to the RTP/EIR Alternatives.

Mr. Butala informed the Committee that Fregonese Calthorpe Associates has been tasked with analyzing development trends and growth forecasts, and creating two 'book end' scenarios for use in the current RTP effort. The resulting two alternatives will focus projected growth using the contrasting approaches to develop an understanding of the effects of differing policy choices.

Mr. Butala deferred the remainder of his presentation to the June meeting in the interest of time.

6.0 THE CHAIR'S REPORT

The Chair did not have a report at this meeting.

7.0 STAFF REPORT / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Jacob Lieb reported to the CEHD Committee that the Court has issued its final decision on the Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) lawsuit. The Court's final decision will be included as an agenda item at the next CEHD Committee meeting in June.

Mr. Jeffrey Smith, Senior Regional Planner at SCAG, gave a brief background on SCAG's Intergovernmental Review (IGR) Section. IGR is responsible for performing a consistency review for regionally significant local plans, projects and programs with policies of the Regional Comprehensive Plan and Guide and the Regional Transportation Plan. Mr. Smith made available to the CEHD Committee the Executive Summary Report on IGR Activity for the Year 2002.

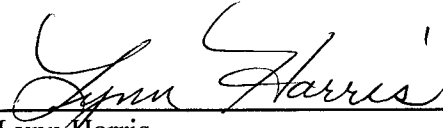
8.0 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no future agenda items scheduled at this meeting.

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:59 a.m. The next CEHD meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, June 5, 2003 at the Brea Community Center.

Signed:


Lynn Harris
Manager, Community Development